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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

The above-referenced application has been identified as related to the following litigation proceeding: Commission of European Communities vs. Microsoft, Case No. COMP/C-3/37792 (hereafter, "Litigation"). Certain documents ("Proprietary Documents") related to the litigation are being, or have been, separately submitted in sealed envelope(s) pursuant to MPEP § 724.02. The Proprietary Documents may include arguments about the novelty or patentability of the present application or related innovations, and some of the items listed in the attached Form 1449 may be referenced by the previously filed Proprietary Documents.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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